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In re the application of: Paul Gigl et al.

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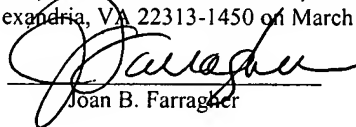
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following comments as set forth below. Applicants respectfully request favorable action by the Examiner.

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